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Petition for Approval of Modification to an Existing 9-1-1 Emergency Telephone Number System

STAFF'S ANSWER TO THE PETITION

Now comes the Staff of the Illinois Commerce Commission (Staff) and in support of its answer to Marion County's Petition for Approval of Modification of an Existing 9-1-1 Emergency Telephone Number System, states the following:

- 1. Marion County received an order to operate its Enhanced 9-1-1 System from the Commission on December 20, 1995, in Docket 95-0541.
- 2. On September 29, 2004, Marion County filed a Petition for Approval of Modification to an Existing 9-1-1 Emergency Telephone Number System in which it requests change its backup public safety answering point to Clinton County. Previously, the two primary answering points in Marion County backed each other up. Due to some equipment consolidation, it is necessary to establish a new backup.
- 3. Clinton County has agreed to be the backup for Marion County and the required interagency agreement between Clinton County and Marion County was provided with the petition.
- 4. Marion County is also requesting to opt in approximately 72 Farina telephone exchange customers from Clay County. Clay County found that it was financially infeasible to answer these calls and opted those customers out to Marion County in Docket 04-0520. The required interagency agreement between Marion County and Clay County was provided with the petition.
- 5. For informational purposes, Marion County stated in its petition that it has entered into an agreement with Clay County. As part of the agreement, Marion County agreed to be the backup for Clay County.
- 6. Staff has thoroughly reviewed Marion County's Petition for Approval of Modification of an existing 9-1-1 Emergency Telephone Number System and supports the petitioners' request for modification. In addition, Staff supports waiving a hearing in this docket.

Respectfully Submitted,

Stacy Ross
9-1-1 Program Assistant
Illinois Commerce Commission

527 E. Capitol Ave. Springfield, IL 62701 November 22, 2004

VERIFICATION

I, Stacy Ross, first being duly sworn upon oath, depose and say that I am the 9-1-1 Program Assistant for the Staff of the Illinois Commerce Commission, that I have read the attached and foregoing Answer to Petition by me subscribed and know the contents thereof; that said contents are true in substance and in fact, except as to those matters stated upon information and belief, and as to those, I believe same to be true.

Stacy Ross

9-1-1 Program Assistant

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 22nd day of November 2004.

Notary Public, Illinois

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Stacy Ross, 9-1-1 Program Assistant, Telecommunications Division, Illinois Commerce Commission, do hereby certify that on the 22nd day of November, 2004, that I have delivered for filing with the Clerk of the Illinois Commerce Commission, the original and two copies of the attached Answer to the Petition for Docket 04-0592, copies of which are hereby served upon parties of record.

Stacy Ross

9-1-1 Program Assistant

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